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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, ETEL, JA, CH
SUBJECT: JAPAN TO SUPPORT PRC ENTRANCE INTO INTELSAT

1. HIDAKA OF MINISTRY POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS (MPT) INFORMED EMBOFF THAT PRC EMBASSY 1ST SECRETARY SUNG WEN VISITED MINISTRY ON 12 AUGUST WITH A FORMAL REQUEST THAT JAPAN VOTE IN FAVOR OF PRC PARTNERSHIP IN INTELSAT AT SEPTEMBER CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI. SUNG TOLD JAPANESE UNSPECIFIED GOVERNMENT, FRIENDLY TO PRC, WOULD PRESENT RESOLUTION TO ADMIT THE PRC IN PLACE OF TAIWAN TO THE CONFERENCE. ACCORDING TO HIDAKA, JAPAN WILL SUPPORT THE REQUEST. SUNG DID NOT DISCUSS OR ASK JAPAN TO SUPPORT EXCLUSION OF TAIWAN'S RIGHTS TO ACCESS INTELSAT. HIDAKA NOTED JAPAN PROBABLY COULD NOT OBLIGE THE PRC ON THAT ISSUE ANYWAY--AT LEAST FOR THE PRESENT.

2. SUNG ASKED WHAT THE PRC WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PAY TO JOIN INTELSAT AND MPT REPLIED $4 MILLION WHICH IT IDENTIFIED AS THE VALUE OF TAIWAN'S SHARES. SUNG CONSIDERED THE SUM EQUITABLE AND LEFT THE IMPRESSION THE PRC IS AWARE OF INTELSAT'S PROFITABILITY.

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3. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW-UP WITH FOREIGN OFFICE ON MONDAY.

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